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New England Aid Society's

HOME FOR AGED COUPLES.

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AT

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SOCIETY INCORPORATED MAY 29, 1884.

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SECOND ANNUAL REPORT.

FOR the second time it becomes the duty of the New England Aid Society for the Aged and Friendless, to present a Report, and to render back to the members and subscribers of the Corporation, the trust which was committed to their charge twelve months ago.

In the work of the Society in opening a Home for Aged Couples, in the good-will substantially expressed by generous friends, in the continued courtesy of the press, and in the interest kindly manifested by clergymen of all denominations, the Trustees with grateful hearts acknowledge the blessing and favor of Divine Providence.

A year ago we stood on the threshold of our real work ; to-day we take a retrospective view for the purpose of informing our friends and the public of the result of our efforts, of the methods we have employed to increase our finances, and the influences and instrumentalities which have contributed to the growth of the Society and its Home for Aged Couples.

The Opening of the Home

Was the landmark of the year, and upon it might be written, in remembrance of the command, "Honor thy Father and thy Mother," this Home for Aged Couples is opened.

The formal opening exercises, June 12, 1884, were impressive and interesting. The presence of His Excellency, Governor Robinson, and Lt. Governor Ames, added the sanction of the State to the benediction of the Church, and altogether, the occasion was a red letter day in the New England Aid Society's Calendar of important events.

The various changes necessary to adapt the Home as thoroughly to the wants of the Society as possible involved much time and considera-

ble outlay, but at length all work was completed and the Superintendent entered upon her duties September first.

Members and friends of the Society contributed articles of furniture and the Home soon presented the look of a well kept house, the occupants of which had long been elderly and quiet. In the old familiar things, the aged couples as they entered felt the atmosphere of pleasant, kindly welcome.

The following persons have been accepted by the Trustees during the year :

Mr. Francis M. Gay,	. . . . .	Age 80.
Mrs. Mary M. Gay,	. . . . .	" 64.
Mr. Joseph Cutter,	. . . . .	" 83.
Mrs. Clara Cutter,	. . . . .	" 74.
Mr. C. H. N. Huntington,	. . . . .	" 68.
Mrs. Mary Jane Huntington,	. . . . .	" 68.
Mr. J. Q. A. Litchfield,	. . . . .	" 69.
Mrs. Mary D. S. Litchfield,	. . . . .	" 73.
Mr. Hiram Wellington,	. . . . .	" 79.
Mrs. Ann A. Wellington,	. . . . .	" 85.

The Trustees have found it no easy task to discriminate between worthy applicants, when so many strong features in each case appealed to sympathy ; but the decision of the Board has in each instance been favorable to those who by age, infirmity, or loss of property, seemed best entitled to beneficent care and protection.

It may be pleasant for the friends of this charity to learn through the report of the visiting Committee of the welfare of the beneficiaries. As the record of visits and remarks were not written for publication, extracts therefrom are all the more gratifying.

Extracts from Visitors Record.

"Visited the Home November seventh, and found all the inmates cheerful and happy in their new home."

To day, December sixteenth,—called on all the members and found them very comfortable and happy with their kind Superintendent.

The wife of a well known clergyman writes :— "To-day, visited the Home and am delighted with all I have seen and heard of the comfort and care these old people receive. It is certainly the best of philanthropic work." Another, making her fourth visit, writes :—"My visit of to-day confirms all my previous impressions, that the inmates are well cared for, and that they are contented and happy."

February twentieth, the visitor writes :—"I have felt in all my visits

that I was visiting in private homes, so homelike is the atmosphere of the house."

It is a pleasant duty to make a record of the good and wise management of the Home, as confirmed by the health of the inmates and the reports of the visiting Committee, and in so doing it is not only gratifying but just to add that the Trustees have been ably seconded in all their efforts by the conscientious co-operation of the Superintendent.

Her watchful vigilance over the foot-steps of the aged and feeble, and her knowledge of sanitary laws has prevented many of the ills incidental to the feebleness of age.

Prudence, economy and wise fore-thought, have made it possible for every inmate to enjoy to the full all that has been provided for their comfort and happiness. If further proof were wanting to verify the importance of "looking well to the ways of her household," the well kept records always open to inspection, and the financial report, would be ample and conclusive evidence.

Much credit must also be given to the

Beneficiaries

of the Home, entering upon a new life in their old age, called upon to form new associations; it has been gratifying to note their patience and forbearance in the family circle.

The idea of a happy, Christian Home, with patient, loving old couples, sitting by their own firesides, too happy in each others society to be for a day separated, has been realized.

In favorable weather most of the members go out for a walk or ride, and on the sabbath go to church, but not more than two or three are able to take much exercise or bear much fatigue. One of the inmates being nearly blind, requires almost constant attention from the nurse.

We feel that it would be a great benefit, as well as a great pleasure, to our aged couples, to have the privilege of spending a few weeks outside the city during the heated term. Will not the kind readers of this paragraph interest themselves in this matter and see that some old-fashioned farm house, easy of access, be placed at our disposal for a few weeks during the summer of 1886.

Encouraging Events.

Among the encouraging events of the year have been the increase of membership, the interest felt by members in the regular meetings of the Society, and the voluntary offerings and contributions from strangers as well as friends to the Home and Society.

Many visiting the Home merely from a desire to become personally

acquainted with the charities of the City have in many instances become friends and contributors to it.

A well known clergyman, a first time visitor to the Home, remarked to the Superintendent upon his return to the parlor after calling upon each couple in their room, that he had been greatly struck with the beneficence and beauty of this charity, and that it seemed to him worthy of everybody's aid and consideration.

His subsequent action in leaving his check to be forwarded to the Treasury with a request that he be made a life member, and his family annual members of the Society, gave peculiar point to his remark; later, his wife visited the Home, and she too became a life member, and it is pleasant to add that he and all his household, and many friends of his household are among the most earnest and efficient members.

Meetings.

The regular meetings of the Society and Trustees have been held the first Tuesday of every month at three o'clock P. M. at the Home for Aged Couples. At these meetings members are invited to bring their friends and to report any matters of interest concerning the Society.

Devotional exercises, and music, with short speeches, afford a pleasing entertainment, and many who have attended have also become active members. Among those who have been present and taken part in the exercises, may be mentioned Rev. C. D. Bradlee, Rev. L. B. Baldwin, Rev. Dr. Alexander, Rev. A. J. Gordon, Rev. B. M. Fullerton, of Waltham, and Rev. L. P. Sawin of Medford.

The following named ladies have kindly assisted at many meetings :— Miss Eliza W. Bradlee, Miss Florence J. Leland, Mrs. J. C. Howarth, Mrs. J. A. Fowle and Dr. S. F. Norris. Miss Alice May Esty also favored us at our semi-annual meeting. Two public meetings have been held during the year. The first meeting was called by the Trustees for the purpose of making arrangements for a fair, and by the courtesy of Messrs. Hall and Whipple, was held in the parlors of Young's Hotel, October fourteenth.

In response to the invitation a large company of ladies and gentlemen assembled at the hour appointed to express their interest and sympathy with the movement. The President of the Society presided, and the Rev. Wm. Burnet Wright offered prayer. The object of the meeting being stated, several gentlemen took part in the discussion, and many ladies expressed a willingness to assist in whatever way seemed advisable.

It was finally decided by a unanimous vote to hold the fair in November, the week preceeding Thanksgiving, and several ladies immediately signified their intention of taking tables.

A proposal being made to hold a public meeting in behalf of the

Home for Aged Couples, the following gentlemen were appointed a Committee to make the necessary arrangements: Rev. D. W. Waldron, Rev. Wm. B. Wright and Mr. Henry A. Turner. The meeting was held at Hotel Brunswick on the evening of November twelfth. Public attention having been called by the Committee, an interested and appreciative audience assembled at 8 o'clock P. M., when the chair was taken by His Honor, Mayor Martin.

After a fervent invocation by Rev. W. B. Wright, Mayor Martin impressively alluded to the work the Society was doing,—spoke eloquently in behalf of the Home for Aged Couples, commended the founders of the benevolent enterprise and brought his practical and earnest remarks to a close by recommending the work to his friends because “he believed that this Home was one of the most worthy charities in the city of Boston.

The Rev. E. A. Horton was then introduced, and it is to be regretted that neither his address or the addresses of those who followed him were fully reported. Only a brief epitome can here be given.

Mr. Horton referred to the noble purpose for which the Home was intended and feelingly alluded to the beautiful side of old age as the autumnal season when all the fruitage of life was ripened into perfection; then to the other side, when old age was made miserable by misfortune, when after years of patient labor, great sacrifice and strict economy the aged were stranded on the shores of time. He then asked for the sake of the great good these old people had done in their prime, in vitalizing the forces of civilization, in adding to the products of nature and education, they should be cared for in their old age together, not compelled by any practical necessity to be separated in the winter of life. These long united, happy lives, were object lessons which should be held up before us to stimulate us to wiser and better purposes. He recognized the fact that there were gates to be opened and pathways to be trodden, but if only the little rills from the large fountains should flow into the Home the plan would soon be carried out; and though there were numerous charities in the city doing an immense amount of good, a worthy charity as was this, embodying a noble sentiment, non-sectarian, appealed to all, no matter of what denomination, for in this Home the aged couples far advanced in years were cared for together and their last days made comfortable and pleasant.

The Rev. Dr. Courtney was the next speaker, and he discussed the question of maintaining the Home from a practical stand-point, claiming that there was fretful old age, as well as angelic and lovely old age; but the work before them was to provide a Home for all alike and by so doing perhaps those whose lives had been soured by adversity and disap-

pointment might after all get the greatest benefit. He referred to the object of the Home as being tender and beautiful, and warmly commended the work to all present as one worthy of their care and attention.

The Rev. A. J. Gordon spoke of the sacredness of the marriage relation as one of the strongest reasons of the existence of the Home.

In these days of easy divorce, said the eminent divine, we need to stamp with the seal of divinity the sacredness of marriage and this Home helps on the good work. He thought the fact that the aged couples were being cared for together and an interest taken in their behalf was a step forward and one of the encouraging realities of the Christian religion. He hoped this most excellent work would be greatly enlarged and that it might be instrumental in doing much to smooth the downward steps of life, of those whose pathway had been lone and rugged. In conclusion he urged all to help bind up the wounds of adversity and to bear the burden of the aged and unfortunate.

Hon. Alexander H. Rice being present was called upon to make a few remarks. The ex-governor disclaimed any intention of making a speech, but was glad of the opportunity to express his interest in the work. He believed the existence of the Home indicated its necessity, and that the appeal of helpless old age was even more pathetic than the appeal of helpless childhood.

Boston charity had been called a Boston idea, but he thought it was a good idea to be always ready to sympathize with suffering humanity, and he hoped this Home in which he had taken an interest from its inception would be fully incarnated with that idea of charity that was both charitable and practical.

A letter from Rev. O. A. Brown was then read in which he expressed his interest in the object, and he greatly regretted his enforced absence.

By invitation, the President of the Society gave a brief account of the work which had been done, and described the Home. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to his Honor, Mayor Martin, for presiding, and to the speakers for their able addresses and noble efforts in behalf of the Society.

The Annual Fair

Opened November 17th, in Horticultural Hall, and continued one week. Taking into account that five fairs were held during the same week, the general interest manifested in our success was encouraging, and it was gratifying to learn that when the receipts were all in, upwards of \$3,600 had been realized.

The apprehension of the Board—if any had existed—of lack of funds to make a payment of \$3,500 on the Home was allayed; but while the

necessity exists for holding an Annual Fair for the support of the Home and payment on the mortgage, (four thousand dollars) the management must feel a deep responsibility and a conscientious desire to increase, by every honorable means, the interest now felt in this charitable work.

The ladies and friends of the Society have the interest of the Fair before them for the whole year, and no sooner is one fairly over than taste, ingenuity and skill combine to produce articles of comfort and elegance to adorn the tables for the coming year.

We trust the results of the next Annual Fair will not be the only gauge of the interest felt in the Home; especially, when the reputation of Boston for princely giving has gone abroad until there is scarcely a city or hamlet in the civilized world which does not in its efforts to establish Christian missions, educate its ignorant, feed its hungry, clothe its poor and provide for its distressed, send an urgent appeal to Boston for help with the moral certainty of successful response.

That Boston is really charitable, that the community have a lively sympathy with suffering humanity, the numerous private hospitals and homes in every part of the city, for the care of the aged and infirm, the sick, the blind and the little children, give ample evidence.

In these grand memorials which have put under contribution the most self-denying Christian love of the benevolent and charitable, are commemorated the simple virtues of an ancestry who were taught the religion of sacrifice in the line of duty.

Down the long historic page
We trace the birth and lineage,
And in each Godlike virtue see,
The noblest grace is charity.

Acknowledgments.

The kind remembrance and the generous gift from members and friends of the Society have furnished our Home; and to all, and for all, we make acknowledgments and extend our candid thanks. A complete list of the donations are given upon another page, yet we cannot refrain from mentioning a few things which by reason of their unexpectedness gave us much pleasure.

The kindness of Messrs. M. Steinert & Sons in placing a fine Steinway piano in the parlor for the accommodation of the Home has given great pleasure to our elderly guests, and has been duly appreciated by members of the Society.

The thoughtfulness of Mr. W. T. Faunce is pleasantly recognized in the family Bible for the parlor, with "Testament and Psalms," for each room,—printed in type suitable for aged eyes to read.

The Evening Transcript has brought an evening pleasure, and we

gratefully acknowledge the courtesy and kindness.

Books contributed by Messrs. Lee & Shepard, Little, Brown & Co., Estes & Lauriat, D. Lothrop & Co., and Robert's Brothers, have afforded much enjoyment to the "constant readers" of the household.

A Christmas donation of a large book-case and secretary from a loving friend and member brought tears of joy; we needed it so much for books, papers and writing materials. Christmas cards were also sent by many friends to each inmate.

New Year's, the same kind friend sent a fine sideboard, a timely gift.

The antique furniture, and the ancient Bible, bearing date 1578, gifts from Mr. Henry Tudor, are greatly prized for association and reminiscence.

Three rooms were made very bright and cheerful with the pretty ash chamber furniture, donated by Dr. Littlefield, Mrs. Mary T. Goddard, and Mr. G. A. King and sisters.

"The load of anthracite, left before the widow's door," was not more acceptable than the tons of coal sent by Col. Hugh Cochrane, Mr. C. A. Campbell, Mr. L. B. Morse, and Messrs. Burnham & Co.

Many friends kindly remembered our first Thanksgiving. Messrs. Harwood & Quincy sent their kind wishes in a check for ten dollars. Rev. Mr. Wright and Rev. Mr. Waldron sent turkeys and chickens, and Mrs. E. J. Wheeler sent turkeys, and other members contributed of their abundance. Early "Easter Morn," Rev. Mr. Waldron made a call, leaving cards and congratulations, and later on other friends sent cards and flowers, adding to the brightness of the day.

Our Saturday afternoon receptions and our Sunday evening service has been, through the kindness of Rev. C. D. Bradlee and his friends, pleasant and profitable to the members of the Home,—flowers, music, prayer and praise.

In Memorium.

While we are devoutly thankful that the lives of our aged ones have been spared unto us, we record, with an abiding sense of loss, the death of three members of the Society, during the year. Mrs. E. L. Rand, an active worker and devoted friend. Resolutions of sympathy were sent to her husband.

Mrs. Dr. D. H. Storer and Miss Abigail T. Otis, though never able to meet with us, gave early evidence of their interest in the Home by becoming life-members of the Society.

Miss Anna G. Bancher commemorates, in life membership, the memory of her mother, Mrs. Abigail P. Bancher.

Financial.

The financial condition of the Corporation will be found in the report of the Treasurer. A casual glance at the statement of income investments, expenses and balance, will be the best evidence of faithful stewardship.

A Closing Word.

Before closing our Report we wish to express our gratitude to the members of the Society, and our high appreciation of our co-workers. Our thanks are also due to the physicians of the Home, and to the Auditor for his kind advice upon many occasions, and valuable services. By kindly word and generous deed our hands have been

strengthened, and our every effort has been furthered by the Society.

We believe the Home is firmly established, and we trust before another year it will be properly endowed. The opportunities for conferring benefits upon worthy people through this charity should not be overlooked.

The Home is centrally and pleasantly located, and one year ago we all believed that it would serve our purpose for four or five years ; but the call for more room comes so frequently that we find it hard to resist the entreaty—"go on, increase the debt, and provide room for all the deserving who wish to come." We would gladly do so, did we not feel that our claim to public confidence rests upon our unswerving determination to pay off our mortgage, before we incur further liabilities. We do not think it wise to extend our work upon borrowed capital, or by increasing the expenses of our household, hazard all we have accumulated on a venture which might depend for its success upon the tenure of human life and the ability for extension.

Dear friend, this work is yours as well as ours. It is a Christian work, a work for humanity, it needs your helping hand, will you give it your aid and sympathy? Will you make one sacrifice for it? forego one enjoyment?

A visit to the Home will satisfy you how much you can do for this work now ; for these aged, feeble ones that we have adopted as our own. After being once admitted, they are ours to care for until both shall be called to their Heavenly Home. We provide for every need ; nurse them in sickness, and provide the burial lot, unless they desire to be buried with their friends, in that case, their wishes and desires would be respected. There is so much to be done, and we are so restricted in our work, for want of funds. Does not a fearful responsibility rest upon those who, possessing ample means, plead "inability to give, or want of time," when even a small subscription is asked for, or a donation for the tables of the fair. It is not pleasant to urge, but it is our duty to bring this charity before you. "Charge the rich of this world to be ready to give and glad to distribute."

Once more, dear friends—to you who give good gifts for Christ's sake, to you who give abundantly for the sake of humanity, to you who have inherited wealth, and to you who have acquired riches,—we make our humble appeal for this charity ; and we beseech of you,—with such an opportunity before you to do good to those we now have with us, and for those who in the years to come will be made happier by your gifts, who will mention you with love and reverence long after your earthly pilgrimage has ended,—not to withhold your gift when we ask you to remember now and in your *will* the Home for Aged Couples.

We need to-day the sum of twenty thousand dollars to enlarge our building and carry on our work. One kind friend has offered to be one of ten to raise ten thousand dollars. Are there not nine other friends or six, or three, or one, who will give the other nine thousand immediately? With this question we close our report, acknowledging our humble dependence upon Him, who sometimes surprises with His nearness, and without whose aid it is vain to build.

ELIZABETH ABBOTT CARLETON,

President.

J. W. Smith, Treasurer, in account with the N. E. Aid Society for the Aged and Friendless.

RECEIVED.		EXPENDED.	
Balance, per account rendered June 1st, 1884, - -		Amount of payments made during year ending June 1st, 1885.	
\$5,559.85			
AMOUNTS RECEIVED DURING THE YEAR			
ENDING JUNE 1st, 1885.			
Admission fees, - - - - -	\$1,200.00	Estate, 431 Shawmut Avenue, - - -	\$8,500.00
Net Proceeds of Annual Fair - - -	3,123.90	Repairs on Estate, - - - - -	639.88
Life Membership and Donations, - - -	1,468.00	Range - - - - -	100.00
Annual Membership, - - - - -	224.00	Interest on Mortgage, - - - - -	187.50
Interest, - - - - -	74.94	Legal Services, - - - - -	31.90
			\$9,459.28
		Salary of Supt. and wages of employees, -	\$378.32
		Fuel, - - - - -	109.72
		Food, - - - - -	331.44
		Gas, - - - - -	30.07
		Water, - - - - -	23.00
		Small housekeeping articles, - - -	34.36
		Moving and Express, - - - - -	12.80
		Clothing, - - - - -	4.60
		Medicine, - - - - -	1.59
		Stationery, - - - - -	1.70
		Cash in hands of Supt., - - - - -	5.00
		Supplies on hand, - - - - -	155.60
			\$1,088.20
		Printing Annual Report and By-Laws, -	\$100.50
		Advertising, Printing and Postals, - -	22.86
		By new account balance June 1st, 1885, -	
			\$123.36
			979.85
			\$11,650.69

BOSTON, JUNE 1, 1885.

J. W. SMITH, Treasurer.

B. MARVIN FERNALD, Auditor.

I have examined the foregoing account, and find it to be correct and proper vouchers for disbursements, and the balance in the Treasurer's hands to be nine hundred and seventy-nine dollars and eighty-five cents.

Secretary's Report.

FROM JUNE, 1884, TO JUNE, 1885.

The Secretary in presenting her annual report takes pleasure in stating that the past year has been one of marked progress and great importance in the history of our Society. Our work, now more conspicuous than heretofore, is gaining for itself, as we like to believe, a place of interest and trust in the hearts of the people to whom the knowledge of it has come. When we recall our first efforts in organized work for the relief of the aged and then consider where we stand to-day, we may indeed be filled with both gratitude and hope. The record of the year just ended is one of encouragement. The Home for Aged Couples formally opened at the beginning of the year, in the substantial and comfortable dwelling No. 431 Shawmut Ave., now the property of our Corporation; while it has increased our responsibilities, and is constantly making fresh demands upon our sympathies and resources, it is yet, by its successful working, fully justifying our venture of faith. Our aged couples are now enjoying the benefits of the Home. A well furnished room is provided for each couple, and the parlor, most cheery and home-like in its provisions, including a piano and well-stocked book-shelves, is open to all, where they may meet as members of a Christian household.

The superintendency of the "Home" committed at its inauguration to Dr. Sarah F. Norris, still continues under the same wise and successful management. To see the aged and needy made happy by the removal from them of the anxious burden of life, is to see a new life opened to declining years. This is the great and sufficient motive to animate us to be faithful in the work we have undertaken, to maintain, to strengthen, to develop it. The Society has largely increased since the incorporation, numbering at the present time one hundred and thirteen life members and two hundred and twenty-four annual members, not including forty-one names that have been dropped from the roll for non-payment of dues. Six annual members have become life members and two life members and one annual member have been removed. Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Faunce, Mr. J. W. Smith, Rev. D. W. Waldron and Mr. Henry Tudor, for valuable gifts and services have been made Life members of the Society.

The Corporation and Trustees have held twelve regular meetings, and the Trustees fourteen special meetings. The executive Committee have met weekly; detailed reports of which have been presented to the Trustees.

The Society has held one Festival and one Fair during the year, the results of which will appear in the Treasurer's report. Up to the present time, our Society has not been the recipient of any bequests or munificent donations, but the work has been carried on by numerous and varied gifts from divers sources. It would be interesting to make mention of all these gifts, but I leave that matter for the Superintendent to report, as she is authorized to do by the by-laws. We have no doubt, that in the near future, we shall find friends who will strengthen and enrich this charity for much greater usefulness, until we shall have outgrown this modest, yet goodly structure in which we now are.

It is of common remark that an especial blessing attends charitable enterprises. We believe that our Society and work will prove no exception to this opinion.

MRS. L. B. BALDWIN,

Secretary.

Tuesday, June 2nd., 1885.

Donations of Money.

FROM JUNE 1, 1884, TO JUNE 1, 1885.

INCLUDED IN TREASURER'S REPORT OF LIFE MEMBERSHIPS AND DONATIONS.

Ames, Oliver Lt. Gov.	\$50 00	Goldthwait, Mr. Joel	\$50 00
Ames, Mrs. Oliver (North Eastern)	25 00	Gibson, Mrs. Kimball	25 00
Austen, Mr. Edward	25 00	Greenleaf, Mr. Richard C.	100 00
Badger, Mrs. S. A.	5 00	Hart, Mrs. Wm. T.	5 00
Baird, Mr. George W.	75 00	Harwood & Quiney, Messrs.	10 00
Banehor, Miss Anna G.	50 00	Haynes, Mr. John C.	25 00
Bond, Mr. C. H.	10 00	Hayden, Mr. H. Jr.,	5 00
Bradbury, Mrs. Nettie C.	5 00	James, Mrs. Frances	5 00
Bradlee, Rev. Caleb D.	25 00	Johnson, Miss Abby H.	10 00
Butler, Mr. E. K.	2 00	Leavitt, Mr. W. P. proceeds of	
Carlton, Mrs. John	25 00	Concert	10 00
Center, Mr. Joseph	50 00	Marston, Mr. S. W.	50 00
Cochran, Mrs. S. Q.	25 00	Quiney, Mr. George Henry	25 00
Cummings, Mr. Nathaniel	25 00	Richmond, Mrs. Deborah H.	25 00
Curtis, Mrs. Nancy	25 00	Roberts, Mrs. J. H.	50 00
Culver, Mrs. J. K.	2 00	Sutton, Mrs. Eliza	25 00
Ditson, Mrs. Oliver	25 00	Thayer, Dr. David	25 00
Ellis, Mr. John I.	25 00	Turner, Mrs. Henry A.	50 00
Farrar, Mrs. J. Hamilton	25 00	Tudor, Mr. Henry	6 00
Ferguson, Mrs. Robert	25 00	Weber, Mr. Frederiek	25 00
Foster, Mrs. John	3 00	Weeks, Mrs. A. G.	25 00
Friend to the Aged & Friendless	20 00	Wentworth, Mr. A.	50 00
Friends, by Mrs. H. A. Turner,	8 00	Wesson, Mr. J. L.	5 00
Friends, " " " " "	15 00	Wetherell, Mrs. J. W.	25 00
Friends,	17 00	Wing, Miss E. Estate Dr. Wing	50 00
Goddard, Mrs. Mary T.	10 00	Woods, Mr. Henry	100 00
Goodwin, Mrs. L. C.	5 00		

NET PROCEEDS OF FESTIVAL HELD AT HOME FOR AGED COUPLES, JUNE 12,

1884, \$85.62, INCLUDING CASH DONATIONS AS FOLLOWS :

Faunee, Mrs. W. T.	\$10 00	Moody, Mrs.	\$1 00
Farnum, Mrs. A. H.	1 00	Nickerson, Miss I. J.	5 00
Gelray, Col. J. W.	5 00	Pitman, Mr. George H.	2 00
Hunt, Mr. E. G.	2 00	Richardson, Mr. Geo. W.	10 00
Longley, Mr. James	2 00	Stacy, Mrs. W. H.	5 00
Morgan, Mr. C. C.	2 00	Stackpole, Mrs. S. A.	1 00
		Whitehouse, Mrs.	\$1 00

Report of Annual Fair,

Held at Horticultural Hall, November, 1884.

LADIES IN CHARGE OF TABLES, WITH THE AMOUNTS RECEIVED AT EACH TABLE.

Table No. 1, "The Workers." Mrs. Albert H. Farnum, Miss Katherine Bates, Mrs. John Sullivan, . . .	\$518.50
Table No. 2, "Flowers." Mrs. James I. Brooks, assisted by Mrs. Dr. Baker and Mrs. H. C. McKay, . . .	127.25
Table No. 3, "Donation." Mrs. J. G. Ingersoll, Miss E. L. Peterson, Mrs. Perley Morse, . . .	274.84
Table No. 4, "Fancy." Mrs. Nathaniel Brown, Mrs. W. B. Knapp, assisted by Mrs. H. Waite and Mrs. H. C. Dimond, . . .	103.15
Table No. 5. Mrs. Jonas Fitch, assisted by Mrs. C. G. Keyes,	179.45
Tables Nos. 6 & 7, South Boston and Arlington. Mrs. J. S. Nickerson, Mrs. G. W. Richardson, Mrs. Wm. Muller,	398.47
Table No. 8; "Highland." Mrs. M. F. Curtiss, Mrs. L. A. Smith, Mrs. M. Granger, . . .	116.00
Table No. 9, "Fancy." Mrs. H. U. Ewing, Mrs. N. E. Spaulding, Mrs. C. A. Wellington, . . .	120.63
Table No. 10, "Confectionary." Mrs. Ira A. Foster and Mrs. Nathan Waxman, . . .	54.20
Table No. 11, "Home-made Cake, Preserves and Jellies." Mrs. H. C. Whitcomb, Mrs. W. P. Clark, Mrs. R. G. Chase, . . .	229.50
Table No. 12, "Dolls," East Boston. Mrs. J. W. Robbins, Mrs. Helen Crosby, . . .	148.65
Table No. 13, "Art and Fancy." Mrs. and Miss Lester,	86.50
Table No. 14, Cambridge. Mrs. George Cushing, Mrs. R. D. Cushing, Mrs. W. J. Rushmore, . . .	157.00
Table No. 15, "Paper." Miss Belle Nickerson, Miss Mary E. Richardson, Mrs. Washburn Page, . . .	85.13
Table No. 16, "South End." Mrs. A. D. Morse, Miss Annie King, . . .	247.11
Cafe, Mrs. G. W. Richardson, Mrs. George Cushing, Mrs. A. D. Morse. Mrs. L. B. Baldwin, Mrs. S. A. Stack- pole, assisted by Miss Macomber, Mrs. Frances James, Mrs. Alden Bartlett, Mrs. Wm. Mason and Mrs. W. E. Jones. Cashiers, Mrs. S. F. Van Choate, Miss Sarah King, . . .	521.43
Cash taken at the door, . . .	138.25

Total amount, (with additional sums), \$3,643.41. Expenses, \$519.51.
Net proceeds, \$3,123.90.

THE FOLLOWING CASH DONATIONS TO THE FAIR WERE GIVEN AT THE SEVERAL TABLES, AND ARE INCLUDED IN THE AMOUNTS ALREADY GIVEN ON THE PRECEDING PAGE.

Abbott, Mrs. W. E.	5 00	Jackson, Mrs. Gustavus C.	10 00
Adams, Mrs. Ivers	1 00	Jewett, Mrs. Nathaniel	5 00
Bacon, Messrs. & Richardson (Cambridge)	10 00	Jewett, Mrs. Maria	5 00
Bates, Miss Katherine	30 00	Johnson, Mrs. Charlotte A.	5 00
Batchelder, Mrs. J. W.	5 00	Johnson, Mrs. F. H. life membership,	25 00
Baldwin, Miss C. P.	5 00	Judson, Mr.	10 00
Blanchard, Mrs. John	1 00	Lane, Mrs. E.	1 00
Bond, Mr. C. F. life membership	25 00	Lawrence, Mrs. S. M.	5 00
Bond, Mr. Wm. S.	10 00	Lowell, Mrs.	5 00
Briggs, Mrs. R. F.	2 00	Mack,	5 00
Brigham, Miss	1 00	Magoon,	5 00
Bugbee, Mr. John B.	10 00	Martin,	5 00
Burbank, Mrs. A. M.	2 00	Masury,	2 00
Carleton, Mrs. Dr.	2 00	Melven & Badger, Messrs.	1 00
Cash,	2 00	Morse, Mrs.	1 00
Cash,	2 00	Miles, Mr.	1 00
Cash, a friend,	4 00	Mosely, Mrs. F. E.	1 00
Clark, Mrs. W. P. (life membership),	25 00	Moir, Miss	1 00
Conway, Mrs. James	1 00	Morgan, Mr. C. C.	2 00
Copeland, Mrs. Dr. G. W.	2 00	Morrison, Mr. C. E.	10 00
Coy, Mrs. Alonzo	1 00	Neal, Mrs. W. H.	2 00
Crosby, Mrs. Sumner	5 00	Nickerson, Miss I. J.	4 00
Curtiss, Miss Alma de Forest, (life membership),	25 00	North & Co., Messrs. C. F.	10 00
Curtiss, Miss Fannie E. (life membership),	25 00	Noyes, Mr. C.	1 00
Cushing, Mrs. Isaac	10 00	Paige, Mr. John C.	41 00
Davis, Mr. Frederick, (two life memberships,)	50 00	Patch, Mr. F. F.	3 00
Deblois, Mr. Stephen	5 00	Parker, Mrs. Charles	1 00
Ditson, Mr. Oliver	10 00	Parker, Mrs. C. S.	1 00
Durgin, Mr. Asa	2 00	Porter, Mrs. Helen	5 00
Durgin, Mrs. Winifred	1 50	Rand, Mr. E. L.	5 00
Ellis, Mrs. Russel	3 00	Reed, Mrs. G. F. T.	10 00
Elmo, Mr. John	1 00	Ripley, Mrs. Peter	5 00
Everett, Mrs.	2 00	Rollins, Mrs. Dr.	1 00
Farnum, Mr. A. H. (life membership),	25 00	Rust, Mr. N. J.	10 00
Farnsworth, Mr. Ezra	10 00	Sawyer, Miss	1 00
Faunce, Mr. Wm. T.	10 00	Sawyer, Mrs. Joseph	4 00
Foster, Mrs. John	10 00	Shuman, Mrs. A.	2 00
Fox, Mr. J. C. (Mayor, Cambridge),	10 00	Shattuck, Miss	5 00
Frame, Mr. J.	1 00	Stackpole, Mrs. S. A.	3 00
French Brothers,	2 00	Standish, Mrs.	10 00
Friend (through country week,)	5 00	Smith, Mrs.	2 00
Friends (through Miss Annie King),	15 50	Squires, Mr. John P. (2 life membership)	50 00
Friends,	15 00	Thorndike, Mr. F. H.	1 00
Friends (Subscriptions),	15 00	Tillinghast, Mrs. F. F.	2 00
Gelray, Col. J. W.	3 00	Torrey, Mrs. A.	4 00
Greenleaf, Mr. Richard C.	5 00	Totman, Mr. S.	2 00
Hall, Mrs. D. C.	5 00	Wheeler, Mrs. E. J.	25 00
Hillis, Mr. John	2 00	Wheelock, Mr. F. F.	5 00
Hedge, Mr. Eben	1 00	Whitcomb, Mrs. H. C. (one life membership)	25 00
		Whitman, Mrs.	5 00
		Williams, Mr.	5 00
		Williams, Mrs. Eldred C.	10 00
		Wilder, Mrs. M. P.	2 00

Life Members.

EXTRACT FROM BY-LAWS.

Every person subscribing twenty-five dollars and upwards, shall be when legally elected a life member, and upon any legacy of five-hundred dollars and upwards being paid to the Treasurer, the Executors who have administered may be elected life members.

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Hecht, Mrs. J. H.

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Whitcomb, Mrs. Henry C.
*Whitcomb, Miss Carrie Louise
Whittemore, Mrs. B. F.
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 Odlin, Mrs. Woodbridge
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 Vinal, H. W.
 Viles, Miss Emily
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 Waite, Mrs. Harvey
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 Wales, Mrs. B. Reed
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 Warren, Mrs. G. F.
 Waxman, Nathan
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 Wellington, Mrs. C. W.
 Wesson, Mrs. J. L.
 Wheeler, Mrs. Eleanor B.
 White, Mrs. Cyrus
 Wilde, Mrs. J. D.
 Wiley, Miss Mary W.
 Winch, Joseph R.
 Winch, Mrs. Joseph R.
 Wiggins, Hon. Joseph F.
 Young, Rev. George H.
 Young, Mrs. George H.

Donations to the Home.

FROM JUNE, 1, 1884, TO JUNE, 1, 1885.

JUNE—1884.

Mr. W. T. Faunce, carpets, mirrors, shades, gas fixtures, (partly worn).

JULY.

Dr. Elizabeth A. Carleton, 1 card table, 1 what-not, 1 sofa, 4 chairs, 1 rocking chair, (partly worn).

SEPTEMBER.

Mrs. H. C. Whitecomb, 113 pieces blue crockery, 1 Ideal coffee-pot.

Mrs. G. W. Richardson, 4 table-spoons, 3 tea-spoons, 10 knives, 11 forks, 1 pair pillows, 10 napkins, (all partly worn).

Dr. E. A. Carleton, 1 pair sugar-spoons, 1 dozen tumblers, 1-2 dozen goblets, 1 pair sheets.

Miss K. Bates, 16 pieces blue crockery, 1 dozen goblets, 1-2 dozen tumblers, 1-2 dozen salt-cellars, 1 box mustard, 1 pair sheets.

Mrs. Andrew Cassidy, 1 dozen tea-spoons.

Mr. Cowan, 1 pair celery glasses, 3 vases, 1 chocolate pitcher.

Mrs. Fairweather, 1-2 dozen kitchen spoons, 20 pieces crockery, 1 clothes basket, 1 table cloth, 5 napkins, 1 wooden pail, (all partly worn).

Mr. Brownich, 1 tin coffee-pot.

Mrs. G. W. Richardson, 7 sheets, 1-2 dozen towels, 3 pairs of pillow cases, 1 salt-bottle, 3 comforters, 1 pound tea, 1 jar pickles, 1 bottle catsup, 1 tea-pot.

R. & J. Gilehrst, 1 dozen towels,

Mrs. Foster, 1 pair sheets.

Mrs. Rushmore, 1 spoon-holder, 1-2 dozen holders.

Mrs. Albert Farnum, 2 towels, 9 napkins, 1 counterpane, 3 table-cloths, (all partly worn).

Mrs. George Cushing, 1 water cooler, 2 bed-quilts.

Mrs. M. F. Curtiss, 3 dozen forks, 3 dozen tea-spoons.

Mrs. Francis James, 1 pair sheets.

Dr. S. F. Norris, 17 pieces wooden ware, 15 pieces tin-ware, tea, coffee, spices.

Mrs. W. P. Clark, 1 cane rocker.

Mrs. Hiram Emery, 3 bedsteads, 1 bureau, 1 table, 2 wash-stands, 2 mirrors, 1 mattress, (all partly worn).

Temporary Home for the Destitute, (through George Wm. Bond Esq.) 12 pieces second-hand furniture.

J. Hamilton Farrar Esq., 1 barrel flour.

Mr. Mitchell Wing, 1 box soap.

Mrs. Pierce, 3 pounds tea.

Mrs. J. Purinton, 1 (partly worn) extension table, 1 small tub.

Gardner & Chandler, 1 lantern.

Mrs. J. D. Wilde, 4 kitchen chairs, 1 camp chair.

Mrs. Albert Farnum, 1 camp chair.

Mrs. Hiram Emery, 1 easy chair, 1 sitz-bath tub, 1 hat-rack, (all partly worn).

Mrs. Osear F. Howe, patch-work pieces.

Mrs. Goodwich, patch-work pieces.

Hovey & Co., 1 piece cotton cloth, 1 bundle pieces of carpet.

Lawrence, Wilde & Co., covering for carpets—two rooms.

H. H. Carter & Co., 4 blank books, envelopes, letter and note paper.

Mrs. H. C. Dimond, Seal of the Corporation, stamps for marking, 3 (partly worn) chairs.

Mrs. H. C. Whitecomb, 2 pairs pillow cases, 4 towels, 1-2 dozen worn plates.

Mrs. George Cushing, 1 dozen steel knives, 1 easter, 2 candle-sticks, 1 sugar bowl, 1 milk pitcher, (all partly worn).

Mrs. J. S. Nickerson, 1 bedstead, 1 easy chair, 2 cane chairs, 1 towel rack, 1 dozen knives, 1 easter, (all partly worn).

Mrs. J. I. Brooks, 1 soup tureen.

Mrs. Nathaniel Brown, 1 comforter, 1 pair flat-irons.

Mrs. J. S. Nickerson, 1 dozen salt-cellars, 1 cup and saucer.

Carrie Howard Hesten, flowers, crab apples.

Mrs. H. A. Turner, 1 kitchen table, 1 camp chair.

Mrs. A. D. Morse, 3 pairs pillow cases.

Mrs. Kimball Gibson, 1 camp chair.

Mrs. Harvey Waite, 1 dozen dessert spoons.

Mrs. H. C. Whitecomb, fruit and vegetables.

Mrs. Joshua Hobart, second-hand books.

Capt. Wm. Fletcher, books.

Jordon, Marsh & Co., 1 pair blankets.

OCTOBER.

Mrs. Perley Morse, 1 bedstead, 1 table, 1 bureau, 2 chairs, (all partly worn).

From the Swett Estate (through Mrs. J. H. Farrar), 3 feather beds, 3 bolsters, (all partly worn).

Mrs. J. A. Fowle, 1 book for the Library.

Mrs. G. W. Richardson, 1 comforter, 3 tidies, 16 collars, 6 pieces toilet crockery.

Church of the Disciples (through Mrs. J. A. Fowle,) flowers.

Mrs. J. A. Fowle, soup ladle, (partly worn).

Joel Goldthwait & Co., oil-cloth for two rooms.

Mrs. C. J. Southwick, partly worn rocker.

Mrs. J. Purinton, preserves, jam and jelly.

Mrs. Charles W. Cushing, 1 Comforter.

Mrs. W. B. Knapp, 1 dozen dinner knives.

Dr. E. A. Carleton, 1 tea tray.

Dr. A. Littlefield, 1 ash chamber set, 1 mattress, 1 bolster, 1 woven wire spring for bed, 1 pair feather pillows, 1 stove, 1 poker, 1 square of oil-cloth.

Jamie Fowle, 1-2 dozen butter plates.

Mrs. H. C. Whitecomb, fruit and flowers.

Miss K. Bates, fruit.

Mr. L. Blanchard, 1 barrel apples.

Mrs. E. M. Copeland, materials for a comforter.

Benton, Caverly & Jackson, cheese.

Mr. C. A. Campbell, 2 tons of coal.

Mrs. G. W. Richardson, 1 partly worn rocker.

Mrs. L. A. Smith, carving-knife with fork and steel.

Burnham & Co., 1 ton of coal.

Mr. L. B. Morse, 1 ton of coal.

Mrs. Jonas Fitch, 2 barrels of apples.

Mrs. Kimball Gibson, 1 bed-quilt, 1 easter, 1-2 dozen plates, (partly worn).

Mrs. Robert Marsh, 9 worn soup plates.

Mrs. A. D. Morse, 1 second-hand camp chair.

Mrs. L. B. Baldwin, 6 jars pickles and chili sauce.

Stephen Gale Esq., 36 packages of drugs and medicines.

Mrs. John W. James, 2 pairs blankets.

Mrs. J. W. Wetherell, 1 butter knife, 1 table bell.

D. A. Littlefield, 1 pair vases.

Mr. E. D. Kimball, 2 barrels of apples.

Mt. Pleasant Church, through Mrs. Ira Foster, fruit and vegetables.

Maggie Cassidy, 1 milk pitcher, 1 strainer.

Miss Isabel Nickerson, 1 clock.

Mrs. Osear F. Howe, 1 bundle pieces, 1 pen-wiper, worsteds.

Miss K. Bates, 5 table mats.
 Mrs. J. W. Wetherell, 6 shades for gas-burners.
 B. H. Larrabee, Esq., 3 lbs. saxony yarn.
 Jordan, Marsh & Co., 1 pair blankets.
 Mrs. George W. Forristall, 4 partly worn chairs.
 Mr. E. Adams, 1 kettle, 1 cupboard, 1 ironing board, 1 bread board.
 Mrs. A. D. Morse, 1 coal hod.
 Brooklyn school teacher, (through Mrs. J. A. Fowle), 1 clock.
 Mrs. H. C. Whitcomb, knitting yarn.
 Mrs. J. A. Fowle, knitting silk.
 Mr. C. R. Dane, 1 coal hod.

NOVEMBER.

Mr. George A. King and sisters, 1 ash chamber set, 1 mattress, 1 woven wire spring, 4 pieces toilet crockery.
 Mr. Wm. Chadbourne, 1 barrel of apples.
 Mr. B. F. Records, 1 box Wood's Lotion.
 Mrs. Mary T. Goddard, 1 chamber set.
 Mrs. L. B. Baldwin, cake.
 Mrs. Albert Farnum, partly worn clothing.
 Col. J. W. Gelray, partly worn clothing.
 "A Friend," partly worn clothing.
 Mrs. C. G. Keyes, partly worn clothing.
 Mrs. Alden Bartlett, partly worn clothing.
 Mrs. A. C. Wheelwright, 2 dressing gowns, (partly worn), 1 picture.
 Mrs. G. W. Richardson, 1 ashes sifter, 6 pieces crockery, 1 cane chair, mince pies, 1 door plate.
 Mr. Henry Tudor, 3 tables, 7 chairs, 1 bureau, 1 pail, 1 umbrella stand, 1 foot bath tub, (all partly worn), 1 oil painting.
 Maggie Cassidy, 2 tidies.

THANKSGIVING.

Mrs. Mary T. Goddard, 1 barrel of vegetables.
 Rev. D. W. Waldron, 1 pair of turkeys.
 Ladies of N. E. Aid Society, 1 pair vases.
 Mr. Charles Johnson, cheese.
 Mr. W. T. Faunce, 1 large Bible, 10 copies New Testament and Psalms.
 Berkeley St. Church, 1 pair of chickens.
 Mrs. E. J. Wheeler, 3 turkeys.
 Mr. Daniel Carleton, sweet cider.
 Mrs. E. C. Anderson, mince pies.
 Mrs. M. F. Curtiss, mince pies.
 Dr. E. A. Carleton, cranberries.
 Mrs. A. D. Morse, mince pies.
 Mr. Harvey Blunt, ice cream.
 Mrs. H. C. Whitcomb, mince pies.

Capt. Jesse R. Atwood, (through Mrs. Harvey Waite), 1 barrel of turnips.
 Miss. E. Davis, 1 oil painting.
 S. C. C., 1 dressing gown, 1 large shawl, (partly worn).
 Mrs. Rushmore, 1 clock.
 Mrs. A. C. Wheelwright, shoes, (partly worn).
 Mr. S. A. Fowle, 50 lbs. Arlington flour.

DECEMBER.

Mrs. Lydia Parker, 1 home-made rug.
 Mrs. Perley Morse, 1 jar pickled tongue.
 Mrs. Howard, 1 rocking chair, partly worn clothing.

Mrs. Lonsdale, 1 hair mattress.
 Mrs. Albert Farnum, tea.
 Mrs. J. H. Farrar, 1 partly worn stove.
 Mr. Russell, cranberries.
 Mrs. A. D. Morse, partly worn stockings.
 Mrs. J. G. Ingersoll, 1 counterpane, 2 pairs pillow cases, 1-2 dozen towels.
 S. C. C., clothing, spectacles, 1 umbrella, 1 razor, 3 canes, (all partly worn).
 Mrs. J. H. Farrar, mince pies.
 Miss Isabel Nickerson, 1 tidy.
 Mr. G. M. King, kindlings.
 Miss M. E. Walker, flowers.
 Mr. Henry Tudor, 1 book for the library.
 Mrs. Francis J. Easton, 1 comforter.
 Dr. E. A. Carleton, 1 tidy.
 "A Friend," 1 secretary and book-case, 1 tidy.
 Rev. D. W. Waldron, Christmas cards.
 Mrs. A. W. Worthley, cotton cloth.
 Mrs. Alfred Hemingway, Christmas cards.
 Mrs. Zenas Sears, Christmas cards, periodicals.
 Mrs. Edwin Lemist, magazines.
 Mrs. Henry Morse, oranges.
 Mrs. Jonas Fitch, fresh pork.

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Mr. Henry Tudor, 1 large chromo.
 Mrs. G. W. Richardson, oranges, pickles, tobacco.
 Mrs. Marble, worn clothing.
 Mrs. Nathaniel Brown, patch-work pieces, sweet cider.
 "A Friend," 1 side board, 1 table cover, 11 books for the Library.
 Dr. E. A. Carleton, 1 turkey, cranberries.
 Mrs. J. A. Fowle, 1 book for the Library.
 Mrs. Collamore, periodicals.
 Mr. Andrew Cassidy, ironing-board.
 Mrs. A. D. Morse, patch-work pieces.
 Mrs. R. Vinton, mustard, pepper, salt, odd lot of old crockery, spoons, knives, and baking tins.
 Mrs. Marble, partly worn mattress and clothing.
 Lee & Shepard, 13 books for the Library.
 Mrs. Mary L. Williams, 1 large chest of tea.
 J. A. Fowle, Esq., 1 book for the Library.
 Mrs. Van Choate, 2 books for the Library.
 Mrs. J. S. Nickerson, 1 doz. napkins.
 Miss A. Wallcott, 1 book for the Library.
 Mrs. M. K. Kingman, 1 book for the Library.
 "A Friend," 11 books for the Library.
 Mrs. Schermerhorn, newspapers.

FEBRUARY.

Mrs. Marble, worn clothing and patch-work.
 Little, Brown, & Co., books for the Library.
 Estes & Lauriat, 20 books for the Library.
 Lothrop & Co., books for the Library.
 Mrs. W. B. Knapp, maple sugar.
 Miss Annie King, newspapers.
 Mrs. Mayberry, worn clothing.
 Mrs. J. R. Brownell, woolen pieces.
 Mrs. Woodbridge Odlin, periodicals.
 Roberts Bros., 7 books for the Library.
 Mrs. Mary Sawyer, 1 patch-work quilt.
 Mrs. C. Fessenden Nichols, 1 peck of beans.
 Publishers of the Boston Transcript, the Evening Transcript for six months.
 Dr. S. F. Norris, 4 books for the Library, oil stove, 5 pieces toilet crockery, 1 pail.
 Mrs. A. D. Morse, woolen pieces.
 Mr. Bradbury, 6 cakes toilet soap.
 Mrs. J. H. Farrar, 1 book for the Library, 1 bundle of patch-work pieces.
 Col. Hugh Doehran, 10 tons of coal.

MARCH.

Mrs. N. C. Pike, magazines and newspapers.

Mrs. Haskell, 4 towels.
 A. Gates, magazines.
 Mrs. Butterfield, patch-work pieces.
 Mrs. J. S. Nickerson, rubber door mat.
 Mr. George M. King, kindlings.
 Mrs. Collamore, newspapers.
 Mrs. J. H. Farrar, 1 pair shoes.
 Mrs. G. W. Richardson, under-clothing.
 Mr. J. H. Howland, men's clothing, (partly worn).

APRIL.

Mrs. F. M. Kimball, 2 hymn books.
 Mrs. J. A. Fowle, pieces for rugs, men's clothing, (partly worn).
 Miss E. W. Bradlee, Easter cards.
 Rev. D. W. Waldron, Easter cards.
 Dr. E. A. Carleton, Easter cards.
 Mrs. H. C. Whitcomb, Easter cards.
 Mrs. G. W. Richardson, men's collars, canned pears, maple sugar.
 Mrs. S. M. Judkins, worsted afghan.
 Mrs. J. H. Farrar, magazines, box for clothing, patch-work pieces.
 Mrs. E. Waters, worn carpet for two rooms.
 Mrs. H. A. Turner, oil cloth for china closet.
 Rev. C. D. Bradlee, flowers.

MAY.

Miss E. W. Bradlee, apron and cap.
 Rev. C. D. Bradlee, flowers.
 Mrs. W. B. Knapp, 1 easy chair.
 Mrs. H. C. Whitcomb, eggs and vegetables.
 Mrs. Nathaniel Brown, eggs,
 Mrs. G. F. Kimball, 6 cane chairs, (partly worn).
 Rev. C. D. Bradlee, flowers.
 Mr. C. G. G. Reynolds, flowers.
 The Misses Storer, worsted afghan.
 Mrs. M. K. Kingman, periodicals.
 Miss E. W. Bradlee, 3 hymn books.
 Rev. C. D. Bradlee, 12 books for the Library, flowers.
 Mrs. J. H. Farrar, 1 hat, (partly worn).
 Mrs. E. W. Edmunds, 1 jar preserves.
 Mrs. Zenas Sears, periodicals.
 Mrs. J. A. Fowle, 1 hymn book.
 Mrs. C. Minot Weld, periodicals.
 Miss E. W. Bradlee, flowers.
 Mrs. H. U. Ewing, periodicals, 1 bundle patch-work pieces, 1 dressing gown,
 1 picture of Gen. Garfield, 2 hymn books, sheet music.
 Mrs. Andrew C. Wheelwright, 2 large pictures.
 Mrs. E. C. Howarth, cake.
 Miss E. W. Bradlee, birth-day presents.
 Miss Flora Leland, birth-day presents.
 Mrs. J. A. Fowle, birth-day presents.
 Mrs. George E. Hall, 14 pots of plants.
 Mrs. John W. Smith, head-dress.
 Mrs. Hiram Emery, bonnet and mantle.

Constitution and By-Laws.

Article I. Corporate Name.—This Corporation shall be known by the name of the New England Aid Society for the Aged and Friendless.

Article II. Purposes of Incorporation.—The object and purpose of this Corporation, shall be the establishment and support of non-sectarian Christian homes for the aged and needy.

Article III. Members.—Every person subscribing annually one dollar and upwards, shall when elected by the Corporation be deemed a member of this Society during the continuance of such subscription.

Every person subscribing twenty-five dollars and upwards, shall be when legally elected a life-member, and upon any legacy of five hundred dollars and upwards being paid to the Treasurer, the Executors who have administered may be elected life-members.

Article IV. Officers.—The business of the Corporation shall be conducted by a Board of not less than twenty Trustees, members of the Corporation, and a Board of Council consisting of twelve gentlemen appointed by the Trustees, representing the different religious denominations of the Trustees. The officers of the Corporation under the name of Trustees, shall consist of a President, six Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, a Clerk, and eleven other persons, all of whom shall be chosen by ballot at each annual meeting, and shall hold their offices for one year and until others are chosen and qualified in their stead. All other officers may be appointed and removed, and their duties defined by the Board of Trustees. Any vacancy in the Board of Trustees may be filled by the remaining members of the Board, until the next annual election. Seven Trustees shall constitute a quorum.

Article V. Annual Meeting.—The annual meeting of the Corporation shall be held in the City of Boston on the first Tuesday of June of each year, for the election of officers, to alter and amend the By-Laws, and for any other business that may legally come before the meeting. Ten days previous notice of the same shall be given in at least one daily paper published in the City of Boston. Special meetings of the Corporation may be called by the President, by giving ten days notice in writing to each member by mail.

Article VI. Trustees.—The Trustees shall have control and management of the affairs and property of the Corporation, and shall cause a complete record of all their doings to be kept which shall be laid before the Corporation whenever required, and at every annual meeting of the Corporation they shall render a full account showing in detail the situation of the property, and the financial affairs of the Corporation.

Article VII. Board of Council.—The Board of Council may organize with a Chairman and Secretary, and choose from their number a committee who shall visit the Home for Aged Couples as often as they shall direct, and report to the Trustees upon its condition as often as they shall deem it expedient; they shall advise in reference to applicants to the Home, and report to the Trustees names of those deemed worthy to become inmates. It is also the duty of this Board to render especial assistance in raising funds, and in every way to aid in promoting the success and usefulness of the Home.

Article VIII. President.—The President shall preside at all the meetings of the Corporation and of the Trustees, appoint committees, and perform such other duties as are incidental to the office, and required by law. In the absence of the President, the senior Vice-President shall preside.

Article IX. Secretary and Clerk.—The Secretary, who shall also be the clerk of the Corporation, shall record all the votes of the Corporation in a book kept for that purpose, shall notify all meetings of the Corporation and the Board of Trustees, shall record the proceedings of the same, and shall perform all other duties and services usually required of a clerk of the Corporation.

Article X. Treasurer.—The Treasurer shall furnish bonds satisfactory to the Trustees, and shall then have the custody of all the funds of the Corporation, shall sign receipts and acknowledgments for all monies or other property received, keep a full and correct account of all financial transactions, and disburse no money or property except by direction of the Board of Trustees or their Committee duly authorized. At the annual meeting the Treasurer shall render a full and detailed account of receipts and disbursements, with a statement of the property belonging to the Corporation, and shall at any time give such information in regard to the property of the Corporation as may be requested by the Trustees; also perform all other duties and services appertaining to the office of Treasurer of a Corporation, and required by the Statutes of the Commonwealth.

Article XI. Auditor.—The Auditor shall examine the accounts annually, and oftener if necessary, and report at the annual meeting.

Article XII. Quorum for Business.—Fifteen members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Corporation.

Article XIII. Terms and Conditions of Admission to the Home for Aged Couples.—Any Aged Couple, (man and wife), of not less than sixty years of age and of good moral character, may be admitted into the Home on the payment of such sum as the Trustees may determine, and by signing an agreement to abide by the rules and regulations of the Home. Those holding property are required to secure the same to the Home before they are admitted, and should they obtain any property after admission, it will also be necessary to convey it to the Corporation if they remain in the Home. Each couple shall be received temporarily three months. After the expiration of said term the Board of Trustees shall as they may deem expedient dismiss or confirm the applicants as permanent members of the Home. Persons not confirmed as permanent inmates of the Home shall be refunded the balance of the admission fee paid by them, after deducting three dollars per week for each person for the time they have remained in the Home, as compensation for their board. The entrance fee paid by or for inmates may form a permanent fund, or be otherwise used as the Trustees may direct.

Article XIV. By-Laws.—These By-Laws, or any part of them, may be altered, amended, or repealed, at any annual or special meeting of the Corporation legally called for that purpose, by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting at said meeting.

Trustees' By-Laws.

ARTICLE I. MEETINGS.

Meetings of the Trustees shall be held on the first Tuesday of each month, at such hour as they may determine. Seven members shall constitute a quorum for business.

ARTICLE II. ORDER FOR BUSINESS.

The meetings of the Board shall be called to order within ten minutes of the hour named, and the order of business shall be as follows: 1. Prayer. 2. Calling of the Roll. 3. Reading the Minutes. 4. Report of Treasurer. 5. Report of each Committee shall then be presented, and thereafter any other business may come before the Board.

ARTICLE III. STANDING COMMITTEES.

At the first meeting after the annual meeting, the following named Standing Committees shall be appointed, namely: an Executive Committee, a Committee on Admission, on Finance, on Religious Services, a Visiting Committee, and such other Committees as the Board may deem expedient. If from any cause either of said Committees shall not have been chosen at said meeting, it may be appointed at any subsequent one.

ARTICLE IV. CHAIRMAN, AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The first named member on a Committee shall be chairman, and reports of Committees shall be submitted in writing, and be placed among the documents of the Corporation.

ARTICLE V. ON MOTIONS.

Every motion when made shall be stated from the Chair, and, upon being seconded, the presiding officer shall ask if the members are ready for the question; which being assented to the vote shall be taken. No other business shall be taken up by the Board, or discussed by any of the members, until that which has been laid before them be decided or postponed. Any member making a motion, shall, at the request of any other member, present the same in writing.

ARTICLE VI. AMENDMENTS.

An amendment may be made to any motion, and shall be decided before the original motion; but during the debate no motion shall be received unless it be to adjourn; to lie on the table; the previous question; to postpone either indefinitely or to a certain day; or to commit; which motions shall take precedence in the order here named, except that a motion to adjourn shall always be in order.

ARTICLE VII. ON RECONSIDERATION.

A motion to reconsider must be made by a member who voted with the majority, and, if the motion prevail, the subject is again open for debate on the original motion, the same as any other motion, and subject to the same rules.

ARTICLE VIII. POSTPONEMENT.

At the desire of any member of the Board who desires further time for reflection and examination, the decision of a new question shall be postponed to the meeting succeeding that at which it was proposed.

ARTICLE IX. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Executive Committee shall have the general charge of the affairs of the Home during the interval between the regular monthly meetings of the Board, and act in their behalf. Some one of them shall visit the Home at least once a week; shall make or authorize all purchases necessary for the Home; shall carefully examine and approve all bills for supplies and repairs before payment by the Treasurer; and shall keep a record of their proceedings which shall be laid before the Board of Trustees at their monthly meeting.

ARTICLE X. COMMITTEE ON ADMISSION.

The Committee on Admission shall visit or confer with applicants for admission, and inquire into their circumstances and character, and make a full report to the Board of all the material facts relating to each case. The Trustees shall then decide upon the admission of the applicants. It shall also be the duty of this Committee to keep a register in which shall be entered the names of all applicants, their respective ages, place of birth and residence, persons by whom they are recommended, date of their application, the decision of the Trustees thereon, the time and terms of their admission, and such other facts as they may deem important; and they shall assign to inmates their rooms.

ARTICLE XI. FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Finance Committee shall have the general charge and direction of all mat-

ters connected with the money, mortgages and other securities belonging to the Corporation, and shall direct the Treasurer in the disposition of the same; they shall use all legitimate means to obtain the necessary funds to carry forward the work of the Society, and shall make a full report to be read at the annual meeting.

ARTICLE XII. COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

The Committee on Religious Services shall, as far as practicable, supply the Home with preaching on Sundays. They shall make such regulations in regard to the same and to other Religious services as they may deem proper and expedient. The duty of supplying the Home with the preaching of the Gospel shall devolve upon this Committee. Ordained clergymen of all denominations will be cordially received. The other members of the Board will be required to communicate with this Committee and obtain their consent before introducing any one into the Home as a religious instructor. The Superintendent will act in their absence under their direction.

ARTICLE XIII. VISITING COMMITTEE.

The Visiting Committee shall represent the different denominations on the Board; they shall visit the Home not less than once a week, and it shall be their duty to see all the inmates in their several rooms, inquire into their spiritual and temporal welfare, and giving such encouragement and advice as may be in their power, and as the circumstances of each case may seem to require. This Committee shall enter the day and time of their visits, with such observations as they may deem useful, in a minute-book, which shall be kept at the Home, and on the last day of their term of service they shall notify the members who are to succeed them in visiting.

ARTICLE XIV. SUPERINTENDENT.

The Superintendent of the Home under the direction of the Executive Committee shall have charge of the house, and shall strictly enforce the rules and regulations of the Trustees. Order, neatness, and good conduct, must prevail in every part of the establishment. She shall be present at meals, see that they are properly served, that suitable food is carefully prepared for the sick, that proper order is observed at table, and a blessing asked before each meal.

She shall at all times maintain the respect due her station, and by firm, kind and judicious methods, endeavor to secure the comfort of each aged couple admitted to the Home, established for their support and happiness. At each weekly meeting of the Executive Committee, the Superintendent shall present in writing, a statement of the supplies required, with a report of the condition of the Home and the family, and such other matters as may be important.

The Superintendent shall keep a book in which shall be recorded a list of the furniture, linen, and other articles belonging to the Home, which list shall be corrected and laid before the Corporation at its annual meeting.

All presents made to the Home shall be entered with the name of the donor, in a book kept for the purpose by the Superintendent.

ARTICLE XV. TERMS OF ADMISSION.

SEC. 1.—Applicants must furnish satisfactory testimonials of character, and freely communicate all facts necessary to a proper understanding of each case.

SEC. 2.—Persons under sixty years of age shall not be admitted unless by vote of the whole Board of Trustees.

SEC. 3.—Every couple shall be received on a probation of three months; after expiration of said term of three months, the Board of Trustees shall, as they deem expedient, extend the term of probation, or dismiss or confirm the applicants as permanent inmates of the Home.

SEC. 4.—Couples not confirmed as permanent inmates shall be refunded the balance of the admission fee paid by them after deducting three dollars per week for each person for the time they have remained in the Home, as compensation for board.

SEC. 5.—The Board of Trustees may by vote admit inmates on such terms as the pecuniary condition of the Corporation, or the circumstances of any particular case may seem to demand. Unless otherwise ordered by the Board of Trustees, four hundred dollars, and the furniture of a room, including a good bedstead, bed, bedding, and other necessities, shall be furnished before anyone is admitted temporarily or permanently.

In no case, however, will proposition to pay this or any other sum be considered by itself as conferring a right upon the person making it to send a couple to the Home temporarily or permanently; the Society intending to reserve to itself in all cases the exclusive right to admit or reject persons who desire to become inmates.

SEC. 6.—Furniture and other article brought into the Home by or for permanent inmates, are to remain for the benefit of the Home.

SEC. 7.—Inmates who have property, must secure the same to the Corporation

before admission; and in case of their obtaining money or other property after their admission, it will be necessary to make it over to the Corporation, if they continue as inmates of the Home.

SEC. 8.—No insane or idiotic person shall be admitted into the Home. Any inmates after their admission into the Home, who shall become so diseased in mind as seriously to interfere with the comfort and health of the other residents, upon the advice of the Physicians to the Home, shall be returned to their friends, or removed to some suitable institution; the Corporation shall not be held liable for the support of such person or persons after their removal from the Home.

SEC. 9.—Should any couple desire to leave after being admitted as permanent inmates, the entrance fee which they have paid, or which has been paid for them will not be returned; but should any other property have been made over to the Corporation by them, the said property or the amount of the proceeds of the same shall be paid to them after deducting a reasonable amount for their support while in the Home; but after once leaving they cannot return as inmates unless by a vote of the Trustees.

SEC. 10.—The Trustees in all cases reserve the right to dismiss and expel from the Home any inmates who shall violate the rules, or whom from any other cause they may deem not to be proper objects of this Charity. Notice of the intention to dismiss and expel inmates shall be given in the call for the meeting when such action is to be taken.

ARTICLE XVI. AMENDMENTS.

These By-Laws may be altered or amended at any legal meeting of the Trustees, provided that in the notices calling said meeting, it shall have been stated that an alteration or amendment is to be made.

HOUSE RULES.

1. The entire care of the house shall be in charge of the Superintendent under the direction of the Executive Committee.

2. The Superintendent shall strictly enforce the rules and regulations for the Home, thereby securing the comfort and happiness of the residents or inmates.

3. Residents will be required to conform to the rules and regulations, and to treat each other with becoming respect, and by acts of kindness and forbearance make a cheerful Home.

4. Every inmate except in case of illness, is expected to attend all religious services.

5. A general table will be provided, at which all who are able will be expected to attend punctually, and endeavor by order and pleasant conversation to make such occasions agreeable to each other and to the Superintendent. Breakfast at eight o'clock; Dinner at one o'clock; Supper at six o'clock.

6. The Superintendent will preside at the table and ask a blessing before each meal.

7. Those confined to their rooms will be furnished with diet under the direction of the Superintendent.

8. Washing and ironing shall if practical be done on Mondays and Tuesdays.

9. All that is necessary for the comfortable support of the inmates of the Home will be provided by the Corporation; no inmate therefore will be permitted to solicit assistance for any purpose, unless duly authorized by the Executive Committee.

10. Inmates who are able will be expected to render services for the Home, at the discretion of the Superintendent.

11. No intoxicating drinks or strong stimulants shall be used in the House, except by order of the Physician in charge.

12. No tobacco smoking will be allowed in any part of the house above the basement.

13. Inmates will not be permitted to enter the kitchen, store-rooms, or other offices of the house, unless by consent of the Superintendent.

14. Interference with assistants or servants will not be permitted; but if any persons have cause for complaint, they may state their grievance at once to the Superintendent who will report it to the Committee.

15. The assistants and servants will be required to treat all residents of the house with kindness and respect; to be courteous to all visitors, and to strictly comply with the rules of the house.

16. No inmate, or person employed in the house, will be permitted to be out after ten o'clock P. M., unless by permit or order of the Superintendent.

17. Inmates will be expected to retire to their rooms at nine o'clock P. M., and extinguish their lights by ten o'clock.

18. When inmates desire to visit their friends, they shall inform the Superintendent of the time and place of their intended visit, and the probable length of time they will be absent, in order that no uneasiness may be felt on their account, and that, in case of illness or accident the Superintendent may know where they are to be found.

19. The friends of inmates and the public generally, may visit the house on Wednesdays and Saturdays of each week, between the hours of two and five o'clock P. M.

Friends and relatives are permitted to call on business on any day of the week except Sundays, but inmates cannot receive callers in their own rooms except on visiting days named, unless by special permit from the Superintendent.

20. A certificate certifying that the mental and physical condition of applicants is such as to entitle him or her to the benefit of the Home, will be required from one of the attending Physicians before the couple will be admitted. All cases of illness will be treated by the Physicians of the Home.

21. These rules may be altered or amended at any meeting of the Trustees.

Form of Bond.

We, the undersigned, having been received as beneficiaries of the Corporation of the New England Aid Society for the Aged and Friendless, and inmates of the Home for Aged Couples, do hereby agree to the rules and regulations adopted by the Board of Trustees, and in consideration of the care and attention of the Society and the expense of the establishment, we do hereby each and jointly make over to the Corporation all such personal property as we have brought or shall bring to the Home for our use, to the end that the quiet and comfort of the house may not be disturbed in the event of our removal or death, but that all our effects may remain for the use of our successors; and whereas we have been reduced in the course of Divine Providence to a state of dependence, but may hereafter be the possessors of property so as to be able to retire from this Home, and possibly to become contributors to it, we, and each of us do further hereby appoint the President of the said Corporation for the time being our Attorney and Trustee, to receive for us respectively, and to sell and dispose of all estates real or personal of every discription to which we shall hereafter, or may be now entitled, and we do hereby assign the said estates and empower the said President and her successors in office accordingly, to the end that the Corporation may be reimbursed for the support and supplies that shall have been furnished to us respectively, as far as such estates may extend, and the balance to be accounted for by said President to us or our legal representatives; in case we do not remove from the Home, then any property, real or personal, which we may in any way become the possessors of, we hereby convey to the Corporation of the New England Aid Society for the Aged and Friendless, for its sole use and behoof forever.

Witness our hands and seals this the..... day
of.....in the year one thousand eight hundred
and

Signed, sealed and delivered
in presence of

Form of Bequest.

I give and bequeath to the New England Aid Society for the Aged and Friendless, a Corporation duly established under the laws of Massachusetts, the sum of.....dollars, for the Home for Aged Couples under their care and management, (or for promoting the objects of the Society as specified in the Charter), and I hereby direct my Executor to pay said sum to the Treasurer of said Corporation.....months after my decease. The receipt of the President and Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge to my Executor for the same.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Be it Known, That whereas Elizabeth Abbott Carleton, John W. Smith, Ruth R. Farrar, Loretta A. Richardson, Annie M. Baldwin, Harriet G. Emery, Joan O. Nickerson, Sarah T. Brown, Harriet R. Ewing, Lillian S. Farnum, Henrietta D. Spaulding, Carrie E. Whitcomb, Athalana G. Cushing, Mary E. Cushing, Ellen S. Foster, and others, have associated themselves with the intention of forming a Corporation under the name of the New England Aid Society for the Aged and Friendless, for the purpose of the establishment and support of non-sectarian Christian homes for the aged and needy, and having complied with the provisions of the Statutes of this Commonwealth in such case made and provided, as appears from the Certificate of the President, Clerk, Treasurer and Trustees of said Corporation, duly approved by the Commissioner of Corporations, and recorded in this office :

Now Therefore, I, HENRY B. PIERCE, Secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that said E. A. Carleton, J. W. Smith, R. R. Farrar, L. A. Richardson, A. M. Baldwin, H. G. Emery, J. O. Nickerson, S. T. Brown, H. R. Ewing, L. S. Farnum, H. D. Spaulding, C. E. Whitcomb, A. G. Cushing, M. E. Cushing, E. S. Foster, and others, their associates and successors, are legally organized and established as, and are hereby made an existing Corporation, under the name of the New England Aid Society for the Aged and Friendless, with the powers, rights, and privileges, and subject to the limitations, duties, and restrictions, which by law appertain thereto.

[SEAL] Witness my official signature hereunto subscribed and the seal of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts hereunto affixed, this twenty-ninth day of May, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four.

HENRY B. PIERCE,

Secretary of the Commonwealth.

